

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
FOREST SERVICE

**Notice of Exchange Proposal and Scoping Notice**  
**Camp Elim Land Exchange**

**Pike and San Isabel National Forests**  
**Chaffee, Douglas, El Paso, Jefferson, Park, and Teller Counties, Colorado**

Notice is hereby given that the Forest Service, United States Department of Agriculture, is considering an exchange of land with the Camp Elim/Long Meadow Ranch Land Exchange Joint Venture under the authority of the Act of March 1, 1911 (16 U.S.C. 516 et seq.); Act of March 20, 1922, as amended (16 U.S.C. 485, 486); Act of October 21, 1976, as amended (43 U.S.C. 1716, 1717); and, Act of August 20, 1988 (43 U.S.C. 1716). The lands being considered for exchange are described as:

**Federal Lands**

1) Camp Shady Brook Parcel, Douglas County, totaling 171.04 acres: T. 9 S., R. 70 W., 6<sup>TH</sup> P.M., CO, sec. 28, parcels B and C, E1/2SE1/4SE1/4; sec. 33, lots 1, 2, 20, 22, 23, 25 and 27; 2) Camp Elim Parcel, Teller County, totaling 56.50 acres: T. 11 S., R. 69 W., 6<sup>TH</sup> P.M., CO, sec. 15, W1/2SW1/4SW1/4SW1/4; sec. 16, S1/2SE1/4SE1/4; sec. 21, parcel A, N1/2NE1/4NE1/4; 3) Long Meadow Ranch Parcel, Park County, totaling 60.00 acres: T. 7 S., R. 73 W., 6<sup>TH</sup> P.M., CO, sec. 7, SE1/4SW1/4 and W1/2SW1/4SE1/4; 4) Idema/Swayback Ranch Parcel, Douglas County, totaling 7.94 acres, T. 9 S., R. 70 W., 6<sup>TH</sup> P.M., CO, sec. 10, parcels A and C; 5) Riverview Parcel, Jefferson County, totaling 11.42 acres: T. 7 S., R. 70 W., 6<sup>TH</sup> P.M., CO, sec. 31, lot 7; All totaling in aggregate: 306.90 acres, more or less.

**Non-Federal Lands**

A) Long Meadow Ranch – Ben Tyler Trail Parcel, Park County, totaling 36.10 acres: T. 7 S., R. 73 W., 6<sup>TH</sup> P.M., CO, sec. 18, those portions of the SE1/4NW1/4, SW1/4SW1/4NE1/4, N1/2NE1/4NW1/4SE1/4, SE1/4NE1/4NW1/4SE1/4, NE1/4NW1/4NW1/4SE1/4 and the W1/2NE1/4SE1/4 located south and west of the southerly right-of-way boundary of U.S. Highway 285; B) Limbaugh Canyon Parcel, El Paso County, totaling 40.00 acres: T. 11 S., R. 67 W., 6<sup>TH</sup> P.M., CO, sec. 7, NE1/4SE1/4; C) Gold Camp Road Claims Parcel, El Paso County, totaling 113.967 acres: T. 15 S., R. 67 W., 6<sup>TH</sup> P.M., CO, Dome Lode Mining Claim, MS 5931 (being in secs. 8, 9, 16 and 17); Winnie No. 1, 2, and 3 Lode Mining Claims, MS 17460 (being in secs. 8, 9, 16 and 17); Denver, Fairview, Manitou, Maybelle, and Jenny Lind Lode Mining Claims, MS 7249 (being in secs. 8, 17 and 18); John A. Lode Mining Claim, MS 14687 (being in sec. 18); Albion Lode Mining Claim, MS 15763 (being in sec. 18); South 1/4 of the Colorado Lode Mining Claim, MS 290 (being in sec. 17); D) Krauth Mining Claims Parcel, Chaffee County, totaling 90.761 acres: T. 11 S., R. 81 W., 6<sup>TH</sup> P.M., CO, Eagle Lode Mining Claim, MS 16975 (being in sec. 35); Ten Broeke Lode Mining Claim, MS 3352 (being in sec. 35); Hell Gate Lode Mining Claim, MS 4983 (being in sec. 35); T. 12 S., R. 81 W., 6<sup>TH</sup> P.M., CO, Bristol Lode Mining Claim, MS 11442 (being in sec. 15); T. 15 S., R. 79 W., 6<sup>TH</sup> P.M., CO, Encyclopedia Lode Mining Claim, MS 2934 (being in sec.

9); Irma Lode Mining Claim, MS 2769 (being in sec. 18); T. 50 N., R. 7 E., NM P.M., CO, Alaska No. 6 and 7 Lode Mining Claims, MS 15899 (being in sec. 6); T. 50 N., R. 6 E., NM P.M., CO, Gulch Lode Mining Claim, MS 3282 (being in sec. 19); E) Rusty Pick Load Parcel, Douglas County, totaling 20.661 acres: T. 10 S., R. 68 W., 6<sup>TH</sup> P.M., CO, Rusty Pick Lode Mining Claim, MS 20835 (being in secs. 6 and 7); F) Denver Lode Parcel, Douglas County, totaling 20.661 acres: T. 10 S., R. 68 W., 6<sup>TH</sup> P.M., CO, Denver Lode Mining Claim, MS 20836 (being in sec. 7); G) Little Joe Lode Parcel, Douglas County totaling 10.849 acres: T. 10 S., R. 68 W., 6<sup>TH</sup> P.M., CO, Little Joe Lode Mining Claim, MS 20837 (being in sec. 7 and in T. 10 S., R. 69 W., sec. 12); G) Rule Ridge Road Parcel, Teller County, totaling 160.00 acres: T. 11 S., R. 69 W., 6<sup>TH</sup> P.M., CO, sec. 17, SW1/4SE1/4 and SE1/4SW1/4; sec. 20, NW1/4NE1/4 and NE1/4NW1/4; All totaling in aggregate: 493.00 acres, more or less.

The federal lands have been segregated from appropriation under the public land laws and mineral laws for a period not to exceed 5 years. Floodplains or wetlands exist within Federal Parcels 1, 3 and 4 and Non-Federal Parcels C, F, and H.

The Forest Service proposes to acquire land with wetlands or floodplains associated with Monument Creek (parcel B), an unnamed tributary of the South Cheyenne Creek (parcel C), a stretch of the South Cheyenne Creek (parcel C), two springs that flow year round (parcel F) and two spring-fed ponds (parcel H). The Forest Service proposes to exchange lands with wetlands or floodplains associated with the Fourmile Creek (parcel 1), Smith Creek (parcel 3) and South Fork of the South Platte River (parcel 4).

Every attempt will be made to reach equal value for both parties; the exchange may be brought into balance by reducing or eliminating the federal and non-federal parcels to be conveyed. If the non-federal values exceed the federal values, the Forest Service may equalize the values by making cash payment, not to exceed 25 percent of the value of the land transferred out of federal ownership.

The Forest Service is inviting comments for both the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process (Scoping) and to advise as to any liens, encumbrances or other claims relating to the lands being considered for exchange. Comments must be in writing. They must be postmarked or received no later than 45 days after the first date of publication this notice in the *Pueblo Chieftain*, which is the newspaper of record for the PSICC. Comments submitted in the following formats will be accepted: written, facsimile, hand-delivered, and electronic. Only those who submit timely and specific written comments will be eligible to object to the USFS's decision on this project. Individuals must comment during this 45 day comment period per 36 CFR 218.25(a)(1)(i) or other official comment periods offered during the analysis. Specific written comments are defined in 36 CFR 218.2 and 218.25(a)(3). Also, for objection eligibility, each individual or representative from each organization submitting comments must either sign the comments or verify their identity upon request.

Please submit comments to:

**Pike, San Isabel National Forests, Cimarron, Comanche National Grasslands  
South Platte Ranger District  
ATTN: Camp Elim Land Exchange  
19316 Goddard Ranch Court  
Morrison, CO 80465**

Fax: 303-275-5642

Electronic comments must be submitted as an ANSI compatible format (e.g. \*.doc, \*.txt, \*.rtf) or .pdf. Please note in the subject line that the comments are for **Camp Elim Land Exchange**. If the sender does not receive an automated acknowledgement of the receipt of comments, it is the sender's responsibility to ensure timely receipt by other means. Electronic comments should be sent to: [comments-camp-elim-psicc@fs.fed.us](mailto:comments-camp-elim-psicc@fs.fed.us)

Hand delivered written comments will be accepted at the South Platte Ranger District Office at 19316 Goddard Ranch Court, Morrison, CO between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except for federal holidays.

Additional information and maps can be downloaded from the internet at the following address: <http://www.fs.usda.gov/projects/psicc/landmanagement/projects> Scroll to Camp Elim Land Exchange project.

If you have any questions, or would like more information about this project, please contact Lisa Heagley, South Platte Ranger District Recreation/Lands/Wilderness Manager, at (303) 275-5624 or [lheagley@fs.fed.us](mailto:lheagley@fs.fed.us).